Forest & Farmland Conservation Strategies February 6, 2007; Snow Date February 27 Tappahannock

FOREST & FARMLAND
CONSERVATION STRATEGIES
SHORT COURSE



Forest & Farmland Conservation Strategies

A short course designed for planners, natural resource professionals & landowners interested in conserving a working landscape



Tuesday February 6, 2007
Beale Memorial Baptist Church,
Tappahannock, VA
8:00 am- 4:00 pm

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About this Course

Virginia's forests provide many important resources, including wildlife, recreation, wood products, clean water, and fresh air. Nearly 65 percent of Virginia's forest lands are owned by non-industrial private forest landowners. Increasingly, these landowners are being pressured to sell their land for development - often for generous sums of money.

How can forestry and farming compete? How can we maintain a rural working landscape in the midst of strip malls and subdivisions?

There are tools available to planners and landowners which can help by providing legal and financial incentives to landowners wishing to keep their land in rural uses. These tools are fully explored in this course. Topics include:

Comprehensive Planning/Subdivisions
Zoning
Right to Farm Laws
Bargain Sales
Conservation Easements/Land Trusts
Purchase of Development Rights
Agricultural & Forestal Districts
Use Value Taxation

In addition, you will interact with landowners and learn about their experiences using some of these tools.

This course is a segment of the Forest Landowner Short Course Series.

An Equal Opportunity Provider
If you are a person with a disability and desire any
assistive devices, services or other accommodations
to participate in this activity, please contact Pat Tyrrell,
Tidewater RC&D, 804/443-1118 during business hours of 8
a.m. and 5 p.m. to discuss accommodations five days prior
to the event.





Other Courses in the Series: Woodland Options for

Landowners: Learn the basics of forest management.

Sustainable Timber Harvesting & Marketing: Acquire the tools to effectively plan and execute timber sales in a environmentally sustainable and financially viable way.

Wildlife Options for Landowners: Find out how to manage for an array of species in your forest.

Financial Assistance for

Landowners: Learn about federal and state cost share programs available to landowners and how to sign up for them.

Woodland Options for Landowners is also available on-line each spring; next offering is March, 2007.

If you are interested in participating in one of these courses in your area, please contact:

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Registration

The registration fee of \$5/person includes short course participation, a comprehensive student notebook containing additional information on land conservation tools, refreshments and lunch. At lunch, natural resource professionals and experienced landowners will join students for indepth discussions on conservation easements.

Directions: Beale Methodist Church 202 S. Church Lane, Tappahannock Located on the corner of Rt. 17 and Rt. 360 at the north end of town where Rt. 360 turns to cross the Rappahannock River

Who Should Attend

This short course offering is specifically for professional planners, foresters, and Soil & Water Conservation District employees.

Refund and Cancellation Policy

Requests for refunds will be honored if received three full working days before the start of the course. The course may be cancelled or postponed due to insufficient enrollment. If the course is cancelled or postponed, the full registration fee will be refunded. For more information please contact:

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